

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please rewrite the paragraph that appears at page 3, lines 5-35, as follows:

~~--To attain at least one of the above mentioned objects, according to an~~  
embodiment of the present invention, for example, an image processing device which can be  
connected to an information processing device includes: ~~first authentication input means for~~  
~~inputting authentication information from the information processing device for authenticating a~~  
~~request from the information processing device; second authentication input means for inputting~~  
~~authentication information input from an operation unit or a card reader of the image processing~~  
~~device; authentication processing means for authenticating data according to the authentication~~  
~~information input through the first authentication input means or the second authentication input~~  
~~means and the authentication information in the image processing device; and display~~  
~~information transmission means for presenting information about the image processing device~~  
~~and transmitting display information describing the contents of the image for operation of the~~  
~~image processing device from the image processing device to the information processing device~~  
~~if the request from the information processing device is authenticated based on the authentication~~  
~~result from the authentication processing means. If the operation by the operation unit or the~~  
~~request from the information processing device does not contend with the operation processed in~~  
~~the image processing device, then the operation in the operation unit or the request from the~~  
~~information processing device is accepted based on the authentication result from the~~  
~~authentication processing means~~ discrimination means for discriminating whether setting  
information for a first function of the image processing device is being operated; display  
information transmission means for transmitting, from said image processing device to the

information processing device, display information used for displaying an operation screen for operating the image processing device, if the discrimination means discriminate that the setting information for the first function is not being operated; and determination means for determining whether execution of operation command for operating on setting information for a second function of the image processing device is to be accepted, the operation command being provided from an operation unit of the image processing device, if the discrimination means discriminate that the setting information for the first function is not being operated. If the determination means determine that the execution of the operation command for the second function is to be accepted, the setting information for the second function of the image processing device becomes operable by the operation unit.--